Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515–1005

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The Honorable Rosa L DeLauro Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$2,200,000.00 in funding for "The Hosea Helps, Inc. Care Facility and Program Expansion Project" in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Hosea Helps, Inc., located at 2545 Forrest Hills Dr SW, Atlanta, GA 30315.

The funds would be used to expand the Hosea Helps facility to allow the organization to extend human services for the underserved of Metro-Atlanta and extend into rural communities across the state of Georgia. Additional warehouse space and personnel are required to accommodate these impactful services. This expansion will facilitate the vital storage of in-kind donations from community and corporate supporters and allow the organization to increase their programs (developed to fight food insecurity and provide stabilization to families at risk of homelessness) and allow for the expansion of staffing. Hosea Helps has strategized to extend its reach: specifically, to targeted areas outside of Metro-Atlanta where accessibility to human services programs that meet the basic need of families are less readily available than in urban centers.

This is a good use of taxpayer dollars because the organization serves at-risk populations and additional funding will allow the organization to help more individuals in the community.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Nikema Williams Member of Congress